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SUBJECT: US-CANADIAN SOCIAL SECURITY NEGOTIATIONS

1. ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER HEALTH AND WELFARE NORBERT PREFONTAINE CALLED ON LABOR ATTACHE TO INTRODUCE ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER DEL LYNGETH, WHO WILL BE HEADING CANADIAN TEAM GOING TO WASHINGTON MAY 10 TO DISCUSS US-CANADIAN SOCIAL SECURITY AGREEMENT. LYNGETH, WHO IS LONG-TIME HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL, BUT NEW TO INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY ROBERT ALLEN, ADELLA GOLDSTEIN, ROBERT NADEAU FROM HIS DEPARTMENT, PLUS PAUL SHUBERT OF REVENUE CANADA.

2. PREFONTAINE AND LYNGETH POINTED OUT THAT MINISTER LALONDE WAS VERY PLEASED WITH HIS MEETING WITH SECRETARY CALIFANO. THEY EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT NEGOTIATIONS ON A BILATERAL AGREEMENT CAN MOVE FORWARD SMOOTHLY AND SPEEDILY ALTHOUGH THEY ARE AWARE THAT WE STILL REQUIRE ENACTMENT OF AUTHORIZING LEGISLATION.

3. ON THE CANADIAN SIDE THERE IS SOME PRESSURE TO
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CONCLUDE AN AGREEMENT NOW THAT THEIR LEGISLATION HAS
FINALLY RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT.

4. CANADIAN PRESS SERVICE CARRIED ITEMS STATING THAT MINISTER LALONDE HOPES TO GET U.S. AGREEMENT THIS YEAR THAT WOULD ALLOW CANADIAN AND U.S. CITIZENS TO CARRY VARIOUS SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS WITH THEM WHEN THEY

MOVE FROM ONE COUNTRY TO THE OTHER. LALONDE ADDED THAT
THERE WAS A "QUITE POSITIVE" U.S. RESPONSE TO THE IDEA
DURING HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH SECRETARY CALIFANO. ENDERS

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